

2012 RESIDENT DEER AND ELK PERMIT APPLICATION PACKET

Easily determine where you need a permit to hunt Mule Deer Bucks and Bull Elk. Apply by March 15th

- The FWP Commission recently changed the deadline for Deer and Elk permits from June 1st to March 15th. Now you'll have drawing results by the end of April and three additional months to make plans, scout, talk to landowners and get in shape.
- The deadline for antierless Deer B, Elk B, Antelope, and Antelope B license applications remains June 1, 2012. Moose, sheep, goat and bison license application deadline remains May 1, 2012.

This new application package is for Deer and Elk permits. Apply using the following steps:

 Determine if you need an Deer or Elk permit in your hunting area. A permit and a general license is required to hunt Mule Deer Bucks and Bulls in certain hunting districts.

Review the maps for Deer and Elk. If the hunting district where you wish to hunt indicates a permit is required, you must apply by March 15. If the map indicates that no permit is required, your general Deer or Elk license is all you need to hunt there in 2012.

2. Pick the correct permit code and know the hunting district

Some hunting districts have more than one option for a permit, one for archery only or general season only, and one for archery and the general season. Some permits are also valid for more than one hunting district. Check the hunting district before you choose. Learn about the hunting district you wish to hunt before applying for the permit. Visit: fwp.mt.gov/hunting/planahunt for hunting district details. NOTE: HD that have a quota of "pending" will not be finalized until the Commission meets on Feb 16th, do not apply in these HD until you have verified the Commission action.

3. Check your odds of drawing a permit

The general drawing statistics for elk and deer permits are located below the deer and elk hunting district maps.

4. Are you applying as a party?

For paper applications:

Make sure: (1) all party members are listed; (2) all part members apply for the same hunting districts, in the same order and include the same bonus-point participation; (3) all party application must be submitted in the same envelope.

For online applications:

The party establisher must list all party members and provide the party number to all party members so each member can apply online for that party.

5. Are you using bonus points?

If you wish to participate in the bonus points program, make sure that you check "YES" on the bonus point questions and include the \$2 Montana resident fee.

6. Complete your application, but only after you have purchased your prerequisite conservation license (and 2012 general elk license, if you seek an elk permit).

For paper applications:

- Fill in your date of Birth and ALS # then fill out all mandatory information
- Original signature
- Fill in the hunting districts (All five numbers)
- Double-check your math
- Postmark no later than March 15th

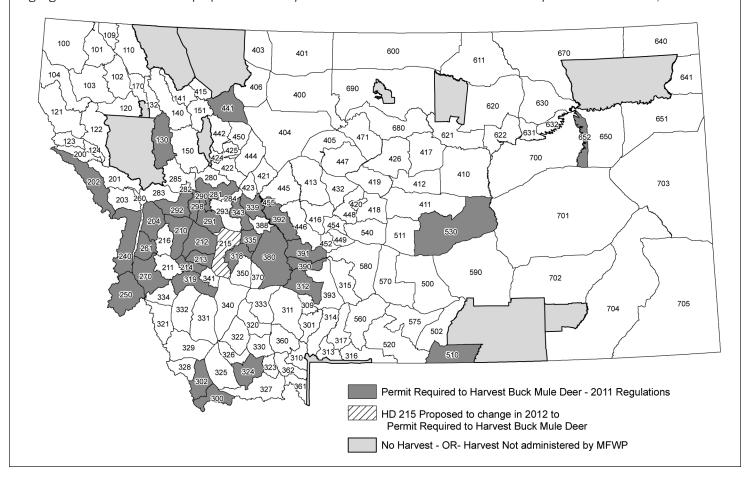
For online applications:

■ Go to fwp.mt.gov, and select "Buy a license"

2012 Hunting Districts requiring a permit to hunt Buck Mule Deer:

130, 202, 204, 210, 212, 213, 214, **215**, 240, 250, 261, 270, 281, 282, 291, 292, 298, 300, 302, 312, 318, 319, 324, 329, 335, 339, 343, 380, 390, 391, 392, 441, 455, 510, 530, 652

Highlighted districts in red are proposed to have permits for the first time in 2012. Final adoption will be Feb. 16, 2012.



2011 DEER PERMIT STATISTICS						
District	# Applied	# Successful	% Successful			
130-50	219	10	4.57			
202-50	251	150	59.76			
204-40	247	247	100			
210-50	605	100	16.53			
212-40	264	264	100			
213-40	174	174	100			
214-40	77	77	100			
240-40	102	102	100			
250-50	139	85	61.15			
261-50	1072	25	2.33			
270-50	5274	45	0.85			
281-40	285	285	100			
291-50	968	100	10.33			
291-51	108	25	23.15			
292-40	674	674	100			
300-50	841	30	3.57			
302-40	120	120	100			
312-50	968	75	7.75			

2011 DEER PERMIT STATISTICS					
District	# Applied	# Successful	% Successful		
318-40	208	208	100		
319-40	178	178	100		
324-50	592	25	4.22		
329-40	59	59	100		
335-40	383	383	100		
339-40	294	294	100		
343-40	490	490	100		
380-40	1294	1294	100		
390-40	109	109	100		
391-40	471	471	100		
392-40	725	725	100		
441-50	1017	50	4.92		
455-70	840	30	3.57		
510-40	262	262	100		
530-50	615	500	81.3		
630-20	9	9	100		
652-50	943	100	10.6		

2012 Deer & Elk season dates:

Archery (bow and arrow license required)....Sept. 1 – Oct. 14

Youth (deer only, 2-day hunt)Oct. 18 – Oct. 19

GeneralOct. 20 – Nov. 25

Backcountry (HD's 150, 151, 280, 316)

Archery.....Sept. 1 - Sept. 14

General....Sept. 15 - Nov. 25



Deer Permits. Apply by March 15.

- Hunters who receive a deer permit must use it with a current general deer license. A deer permit does not allow you to take a second deer.
- Hunters who receive a deer permit valid for taking an antlered buck mule deer (with their general deer license) are restricted to taking an antlered buck mule deer only in the district or portion of district specified on the permit. They may not hunt antlered buck mule deer anywhere else in Montana even if the General Season or Archery Only Season is open to mule deer buck hunting with a general deer license. This applies to all deer permit areas, whether limited or unlimited, for antlered buck mule deer.
- Permits and licenses are labeled with a three-digit number followed by a dash and then a two-digit number (such as "213-40"). The first three digits identify the hunting district, and the last two digits are FWP codes for additional opportunities related to that license or permit.
- Permits are valid for antiered buck mule deer unless otherwise specified.

		PERMIT DRAWING OPPORTUNITIES				
Permit	Available	Permit valid area and/or any weapons restrictions				
	Region 1 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.					
130-50	10	Only valid in Mission Mtns Wilderness portion of Flathead Natl Forest.				
	Region 2 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.					
202-50	150					
204-40	Unlimited					
210-50	100					
212-40	Unlimited	See HD 212 NOTE.				
the curre	nt license y	12 NOTE: Hunters must contact Prison authorities between Aug 1 - Dec 15 of ear at 406-846-1320 x2351 for permission to access the Prison Ranch. d map available from FWP-R2 HQ 406-542-5500, in Missoula.				
213-40	Unlimited	Portion of hunting district within the Warm Springs WMA restricted to ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional handgun, muzzleloader or crossbow only. Valid in HDs 213 and 214.				
214-40	Unlimited	Valid in HDs 213 and 214.				
215-40	Pending*					
240-40	Unlimited					
240-50	Pending*	Valid in wilderness only.				
250-50	125					
250-60	Pending*	Valid in wilderness only.				
261-50	25					
270-50	45					
281-40	Unlimited					
291-50	100					
291-51	25	Only youth ages 12-15.				
292-40	Unlimited	Only valid in HDs 292 and 298.				

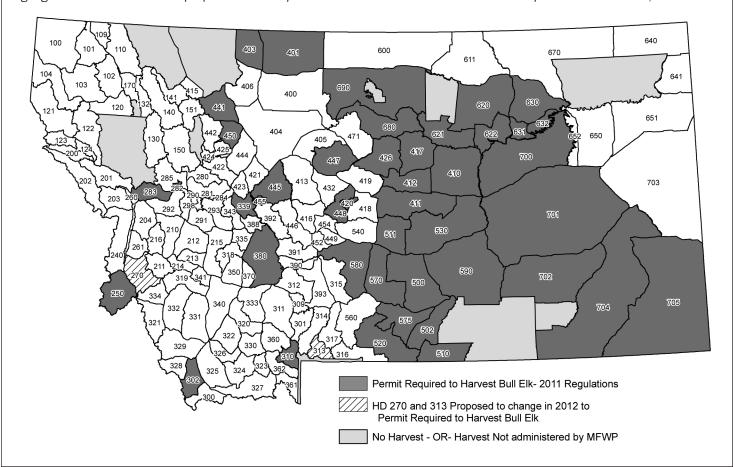
	Regio	on 3 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.			
300-50	30				
302-40	Unlimited				
312-50	75	Only valid east of Springhill Rocky Mtn Rd.			
318-40	Unlimited				
319-40	Unlimited				
324-50	25				
329-40	Unlimited				
335-40	Unlimited				
339-40	Unlimited				
343-40	Unlimited				
380-40	Unlimited	See HD 380 NOTE.			
Boulder,		ons of Canyon Ferry WMA, Townsend Weapon Restriction Area, Muskrat Valley near °Crk in the Helena Valley are restricted to ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional handgun, ssbow only.			
390-40	Unlimited	Only valid west portion of HD.			
391-40	Unlimited	Portion of Canyon Ferry WMA and Townsend Weapon Restriction Area restricted to ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional handgun, muzzleloader or crossbow only. Maps available at Helena Area Resource Office at 406-495-3260.			
392-40	Unlimited				
	Regio	on 4 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.			
441-50	50				
455-70	30	Valid for Mule deer and White-tailed deer. See HD 455 NOTE.			
either-se		rial permit required to hunt either-sex Mule Deer. Special permit required to hunt ed Deer Oct 22-Nov 27. Resident Single Region Antlerless White-tailed Deer B HD 455.			
	Regio	on 5 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.			
510-40	Unlimited				
530-50	600	See HD 530 NOTE.			
HD 530 NOTE: Those portions of HD 530 lying within Golden Valley County are closed to the taking of deer exhibiting 75 percent or more of white coloration.					
	Regio	on 6 Deer Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.			
630-20	10	Only hunters with disability conservation license. Rules and information regarding hunt available from Corp of Engineers at Ft Peck 406-526-3411. See HD 630 NOTE.			
posted, l	EXCEPT in cl	rtion of the CMR Refuge at the Fort Peck Dam Site is open to ArchEquip only as losed areas which are also posted and include: Fort Peck Townsite, Kiwanis Park Idlife Exhibition Closure.			
652-50	100				

*This Permit opportunity is pending final approval of the FWP Commission on February 16. Do not apply until you have verified commission action. Check the FWP website at fwp.mt.gov or contact the License Bureau at (406) 444-2950 after February 16, 2012.

2012 Hunting Districts requiring a permit to hunt Bull Elk

250, **270**, 282, 302, 310, **313**, 339, 380, 401, 403, 410, 411, 412, 417, 420, 426, 441, 445, 447, 450, 455, 500, 502, 510, 511, 520, 530, 570, 575, 580, 590, 620, 621, 622, 630, 631, 632, 680, 690, 700, 701, 702, 704, 705

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201	1 ELK P	ERMIT STA	TISTICS
District	# Applied	# Successful	% Successful
502-15	71	71	100
502-20	72	5	6.94
520-20	388	25	6.44
570-20	270	35	12.96
575-20	102	10	9.8
580-15	71	58	81.69
580-21	141	15	10.64
580-22	150	25	16.67
590-15	298	210	70.47
590-20	817	200	24.48
590-21	276	80	28.99
620-15	1636	1260	77.02
620-20	872	60	6.88
621-20	1415	50	3.53
622-00	414	100	24.15
622-20	1511	60	3.97
631-20	734	30	4.09
631-21	270	200	74.07
632-20	488	10	2.05
632-21	210	100	47.62
690-20	1239	30	2.42
798-15	446	312	69.96
798-20	2203	250	11.35
799-15	452	361	79.87
799-20	2006	175	79.87

Elk Permits. Apply by March 15.

- Hunters who receive an elk permit must use it with a current general elk license. An elk permit does not allow you to take a second elk.
- Elk permits, allotted by drawings, allow you to hunt in a restricted area or time period or to harvest a bull where harvest restrictions exist for hunters who have only a general elk license.
- Permits and licenses are labeled with a three-digit number followed by a dash and then a two-digit number (such as "380-20"). The first three digits identify the hunting district, and the last two digits are FWP codes for additional restrictions related to that license or permit.
- Elk permits are valid for either sex elk unless specified as brow-tined bull elk only.

		PERMIT DRAWING OPPORTUNITIES
Permit	Available	Permit valid area and/or any weapons restrictions
	Regi	on 2 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
250-20	25	Brow-tined Bull Elk only.
270-40	Pending*	blow affect bull Lik only.
282-20	1	Only youth agos 12.15
	_	Only youth ages 12-15. Only valid in Rattlesnake Wilderness area. Successful applicants have
283-20	5	the option to purchase an Elk B License.
	Regi	on 3 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
302-50	Unlimited	Brow-tined Bull Elk only.
310-20	5	Brow-tined Bull Elk only. Only valid on FWP and USFS lands in Buffalo Horn/ Lodgepole and Bacon Rind/Lodgepole Units of Gallatin Special Management Area. See HD 310 NOTE.
310-50	Unlimited	Brow-tined Bull Elk only. See HD 310 NOTE.
		tin Special Management Area closed to all big game hunting except open to al Permit Only, see 310-20.
313-20	Pending*	Youth 12-15 General Rifle Season only (may use a general license during Archery Only Season)
313-40	Pending*	General Rifle Season only (may use a general license during Archery Only Season)
339-20	40	desired rains occord only (may doe a general needs a during richery offly occord)
380-20	110	See HD 380 NOTE.
		ons of Canyon Ferry WMA, Townsend Weapon Restriction Area, Muskrat Valley
		Pear Crk in the Helena Valley are restricted to ArchEquip, shotgun, traditional
handgun	,	der or crossbow only.
	Regi	on 4 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
401-15	170	ArchEquip Only and only during Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 401, 403 and 450.
401-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 401, 403 and 450
401-20	30	Only valid in HDs 401 and 403.
401-20	30	Only valid in HDs 401 and 403.
410-15	1800	ArchEquip Only and only during Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 410 and 417. See HD 410 NOTE.
410-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 410 and 417.
410-20	55	See HD 410 NOTE.
where the	eir elk perm nt. CMR Na	unters in HD 410 may also hunt on islands in the Missouri River adjacent to it is valid. Island is defined as land completely surrounded by water at the time tional Wildlife Refuge regulations may differ from these regulations. Hunters efuge at 406-538-8706.
411-15	800	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 411, 412, 426, 511, and 530. See HD 411 NOTE.
411-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 411, 412, 426, 511 and 530.
411-20	200	Only valid in HDs 411, 511 and 530.
		p portions of HD 511 lying within Golden Valley County are closed to the ting 75 percent or more of white coloration.
412-20	60	
417-20	100	
Elk hunte	ers in HD 41	National Wildlife Refuge regulations may differ from these regulations. 17 may also hunt on islands in the Missouri River adjacent to where their sland is defined as land completely surrounded by water at the time of the hunt.
420-15	775	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 420, 447 and 455.
420-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 420, 447 and 455.
420-20	80	Only valid in HDs 420 and 448.
426-20	10	
441-20	30	
445-20	50	
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		eton-Spring Creek Cooperative Hunting Area (TSCA, formerly the Teton-Spring
		offers a variety of weapons choices, depending upon proximity to residences.
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		gion 5 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
500-15	135	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid HDs 500 & 570
500-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 500 and 570.
500-20	10	
		nose portions of HD 500 lying within Golden Valley County are closed to the taking $75\mathrm{percent}$ or more of white coloration.
502-15	125	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 502, 51 (west of Hwy 310), HD520 (south and east of West Fork of Rock Crk), & HD575.
	Pending*	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Must apply first and only choice. Valid only on private lands outside Block Management Areas in HDs 502, 510 (west of Hwy 310), 520 (south and east of West Fork of Rock Crk) and 575.
502-20	5	Also valid in portion of HD 510 West of Hwy 310.
520-20	25	Only valid south and east of the West Fork of Rock Crk.
570-20 575-20	35 10	
580-15	115	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season.
		Only valid in HD 580 south of Sweetgrass Creek.
	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 580.
580-21	15	Only valid in portion between Sweet Grass Crk and BigTimber Crk.
580-22	25	Only valid in portion between Big Timber Crk and West Fork Duck Crk.
590-15	385	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Valid in entire HD 590 and portion of HD 701 north of the Yellowstone River, south of Hwy 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd. See HD 590 NOTE
590-17	Pending*	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Must apply first & only choice. Valid only on private lands outside BMAs in HD 590 and portion of HD 701 north of Yellowstone River, south of Hwy 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd.
590-20	200	Valid in HD 590 north of Yellowstone River and portion of HD 701 north of the Yellowstone River, south of Highway 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd.
590-21	80	Only valid south of Yellowstone River.
HD 59		ublic access to elk in HD 590 is limited and difficult.
	Re	gion 6 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
620-15	1260	ArchEquip Only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 620, 621, and 622.
620-17	Pending*	Only valid in 1123 626, 621, and 622. Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 620, 621 and 622.
620-20	60	Only valid in HDs 620, 621 and 622. Not valid on CMR refuge.
621-20	50	Only valid during the General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25). Only valid during the General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25). See HD 621 NOTE.
HD 62 adjace water a	1 NOTE: E nt to wher at the time	Ik hunters in HDs 621 and 622 may also hunt on islands in the Missouri River e their elk permit is valid. Island is defined as land completely surrounded by of the hunt. CMR National Wildlife Refuge regulations may differ from these ers should contact the refuge at 406-538-8706.
622-00	100	Only valid in HDs 620 and 622. See HD 622 NOTE.
622-20	60	Only valid during the General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25). See HD 622 NOTE.
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631-20	30	Only valid in HDs 630 & 631. Only valid during General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25)
631-21	200	ArchEquip only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 630 and 631.
632-20	10	Only valid in HDs 630 & 632. Only valid during General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25)
632-21	100	ArchEquip only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 630 and 632.
690-20	30	Only valid in HDs 680 & 690. Only valid during General Rifle Season (Oct 20-Nov 25)
690-21	25	ArchEquip only & only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in 680 & 690.
	Re	gion 7 Elk Permit. Drawing only. Apply by March 15.
590-15	385	ArchEquip only and only during the Archery Only Season. Valid in entire HD 590 and portion of HD 701 north of the Yellowstone River, south of Hwy 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd.
590-17	Pending*	ArchEquip Only & only during the Archery Only Season. Must apply first and only choice. Valid only on private lands outside BMAs in HD 590 and portion of HD 701 north of Yellowstone River, south of Hwy 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd.
590-20	200	Valid in HD 590 north of Yellowstone River and portion of HD 701 north of the Yellowstone River, south of Highway 12 and west of Sumatra-Myers Rd.
798-15	600	ArchEquip only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 700 and 701.
798-17	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 700 and 701.
798-20	250	Only valid in HDs 700 and 701.
799-15		ArchEquip only and only during the Archery Only Season. Only valid in HDs 702, 704, and 705. See HD 799 NOTE
	Pending*	Only valid on private lands outside BMAs in 702, 704, and 705. See 799 NOTE.
799-20	175	Only valid in HDs 702, 704 and 705.
		k primarily found on private land. Public access may be difficult and limited.

^{*}This Permit opportunity is pending final approval of the FWP Commission on February 16. Do not apply until you have verified commission action. Check the FWP website at fwp.mt.gov or contact the License Bureau at (406) 444-2950 after February 16, 2012.

License and Permit Types

■ **Conservation License:** Each new license year, a new Conservation License is required as a prerequisite to purchase any fishing, trapping or hunting license(s), or to apply for licenses/permits. Most licenses can be purchased from any FWP License Provider beginning mid-January.

In compliance with the Federal Welfare Reform Laws, Montana law requires each resident and nonresident hunter, including youth, to provide the last four digits of his/her Social Security number when purchasing a Conservation License or obtaining a Conservation License through a drawing.

- Bow and Arrow License: A bow and arrow license, plus the proper hunting license is required during: (1) the deer, elk and/or antelope Archery Only Season; or (2) to archery hunt in an Arch-Equip only area or hunting district.
- General Deer: License is valid for one deer. Hunters may hold only one general deer license, which can be used for deer as indicated under the "General Deer License" heading on the deer and elk hunting regulations.
- General Elk: License is valid for one elk. Hunters may hold only one general elk license, which can be used for elk as indicated under the "General Elk License" heading on the deer and elk hunting regulations.
- Hunting Access Enhancement Fee: This is an annual fee and will be assesseded at the time the hunter purchases his/her first hunting license (including upland and migratory bird).
- Permit (Deer or Elk): The permit must be used with a general elk or deer hunting license. A permit is not a second license and does not allow the holder to kill an additional animal. Rather, it expands the opportunity to hunt for a species in a particular hunting district allowing the hunter to harvest a Mule Deer Buck or Bull Elk. A general elk license is a prerequisite to apply for an elk permit.
- B License (Deer or Elk): The B license is an antlerless deer or elk license valid during a specific time period and in a particular hunting district or group of districts. A Conservation license is the required prerequisite. B licenses will be offered through a drawing with a deadline of June 1st or over the counter starting August 6th.

Party Applications

Party applications allow everyone to either obtain a license/permit or not. Montana does not allow "party hunting" each person must harvest their own game. It is unlawful to loan or transfer a license to another or to use a license issued to another. Either everyone in the party is successful in obtaining a license/permit or everyone is unsuccessful. A party of individuals is assigned one random number in the computer. If that number is drawn, each member of the party receives a permit/license. The maximum number of applicants in a party is 5 members.

If you apply as a party, each party member must list the identical license/permit choices in the identical order on his/her application. All party member must have the same bonus point participation or they will be taken out of the party. The success rate for applying as a party versus as an individual is about the same. However, if a resident applies with a nonresident in a party, the whole party is considered "nonresident."

All paper party applications must be submitted in the same envelope. Online applications must use the same number set by the party establisher.

Apply for licenses online and learn more about hunting in Montana: fwp.mt.gov

Hunter Education & Youth Hunts

- Hunter Education Requirements: If you were born after January 1, 1985, you are required to show proof of completing a Montana hunter safety and education course or an approved hunter safety course from any other state or province prior to applying for or purchasing a hunting license, whether the hunting license is for the rifle or archery season.
- Bowhunter Education Requirements: To purchase a Montana bow and arrow license, a hunter must:
 - provide a certificate of completing the National Bowhunter Education Foundation course, or
 - provide any prior year's bowhunting/archery stamp, tag, permit, or license from any state or province. If you can no longer produce this license, for a \$5 fee you may sign an affidavit stating that you previously held such a license. The affidavit is available at all FWP License Providers. The affidavit entitles you to purchase a current year's Montana bow and arrow license.
- Youth Hunter Requirements: Youths who have completed Hunter Education and will turn 12 years of age before January 16, 2013, may purchase licenses and hunt after August 15, 2012.

Bonus Point System

If you wish to participate in the bonus points program, check bonus points on the application and include the required fees.

- You must pay the fee when applying to use or gain bonus points.
- Applicants accumulate one bonus point for each unsuccessful year.
- The bonus points become extra chances in future drawings.
- The number of chances in a drawing equals the existing bonus points squared.
- An applicant may skip two consecutive years of participation without forfeiting accumulated points, but if an applicant misses the third year, all accumulated points for that species are lost.
- Rejection of an application because of applicant error is equivalent to failure to apply.
- Current status of bonus points is available online.

Drawing Applications

If applying for a permit, your first choice is required, second and third choices are optional. If you have only one choice do not repeat the choice as a second and third option.

- Your second choice will only be considered if there is quota remaining after the all applicants with that district as a first choice have been filled, or the quota is unlimited and allows second choice applicants.
- Your third choice will only be considered if there is quota remaining after the all applicants with that district as a first or second choice have been filled, or the quota is unlimited and allows third choice applicants.
- Your best chance to use your second or third choice is if you choose a HD where the drawing odds are 100% or unlimited and allow second or third choices.
- Nonresidents are limited to up to 10% of the permits available in any district.

Landowner Preference

The back of the application lists the qualifications for landowner preference and should be completed by individuals who wish to have landowner preference applied to their Deer or Elk permits. Landowner preference applications must be submitted on paper applications only.

2012 MONTANA

Photocopies accepted

RESIDENT DEER & ELK PERMIT APPLICATION

Applications must be postmarked by U.S. Postal Service on or before March 15, 2012.



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I have read the requirements for Landowner Preference as listed above and hereby declare that I am an eligible landowner. If designating landowner preference, I will complete the landowner preference information below on the designated person's application.

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